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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re CIP Application of Joseph D. Lichtenhan et al Application Serial No. 09/783,719

Filed: 16 February 2001

For: ALTERING OF POSS RINGS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington D. C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the amendment dated 11-22-02, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the following claims per the clean copy shown below, as subsequently explained by a marked-up version attached as Exhibit A.

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